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GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 1 5
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WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10022 authorizes the POEA Governing Board after consultation with the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) to impose a ban on the deployment of Filipino migrant workers in pursuit of national interest or when public welfare so requires;

WHEREAS, on 14 June 2021, the DFA, in its letter to the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), referred the directive of the Sultanate of Oman's Supreme Committee on COVID-19 issued on 04 May 2021, which imposed a ban on the entry of travelers from the Philippines or travelers who passed through the Philippines less than 14 days prior to the application for entry, except for Omani citizens, diplomats, health workers and their families;

WHEREAS, in the same letter, the DFA cited that on 05 June 2021, Oman has extended the entry ban indefinitely or until further notice;

WHEREAS, the restriction on entry to Oman was also enforced to travelers coming from the Republic of Sudan, Brazil, Nigeria, Tanzania, Sierra Leone, Ethiopia, the United Kingdom, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Egypt, Thailand, Malaysia and Vietnam, including those who transited through said countries 14 days prior to the request to enter the Sultanate; and

WHEREAS, in the same letter, the DFA recommended to the DOLE to consider the imposition of a temporary suspension of deployment of Filipino workers to Oman.

NOW, THEREFORE, the POEA Governing Board, in a meeting duly convened, RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to impose a temporary suspension of deployment of Filipino workers to Oman until such time that Oman government allows entry of our OFWs and Filipino travelers to the said country.

For immediate compliance.

Done in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 18 day of June 2021.

SUVESTRE H. BELLO III
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